

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Kikuo MAEDA, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 2527
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Application No.: 10/574,779	:	Group Art Unit: 1793
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Filed: April 06, 2006	:	Examiner: Jie Yang
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For:	:	MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THIN COMPONENT, BEARING RING, THRUST NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING, MANUFACTURING METHOD OF ROLLING BEARING RING, ROLLING BEARING RING, AND ROLLING BEARING

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2009, wherein a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 22, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.